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Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Requirement For Doctors of Chiropractic

Effective January 1, 2004, all licensees are required to maintain current certification in order to renew a license in active status.

The Law

Section 356.1 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) was enacted on November 22, 2003 and addresses the new requirement to complete training in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation/Basic Life Support. As a condition of licensure and license renewal, all licensees are required to maintain current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or basic life support (BLS) from the American Red Cross, American Heart Association, or other associations approved by the Board. This training does not count towards your yearly continuing education requirement as set forth in section 356. Exemptions will be made for licensees as the Board, in its discretion, determines were unable to maintain current CPR/BLS certification due to physical impairment, illness, incapacity or other unavoidable circumstances.

The Board will begin enforcing this regulation February 2, 2004.